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Plaintiff,

v.

MARTIN O'MALLEY, Commissioner of Social Security,

Defendant.

No. 1:24-cy-03096-EFS

ORDER GRANTING THE PARTIES' STIPULATED MOTION FOR REMAND PURSUANT TO SENTENCE FOUR OF 42 U.S.C. § 405(g)

The parties agree that the matter should be reversed and remanded to the Commissioner of Social Security pursuant to sentence four of 42 U.S.C. § 405(g) for further administrative proceedings. The parties also agree that Plaintiff is entitled to reasonable attorney fees and costs under the Equal Access to Justice Act, 28 U.S.C. § 2412(d), upon proper request to the Court.

Consistent with the parties' agreement, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:

 The parties' Stipulated Motion to Remand, ECF No. 12, is GRANTED.

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¹ For privacy reasons, the Court refers to every social security plaintiff by first name and last initial or by "Plaintiff." *See* LCivR 5.2(c).

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- 2. This matter is **REVERSED** and **REMANDED** to the Commissioner of Social Security for further administrative proceedings pursuant to sentence four of 42 U.S.C. § 405(g). On remand, the Appeals Council is to instruct the ALJ to: take any other action necessary to complete the administrative record; offer the claimant an opportunity for a hearing; further evaluate the prior administrative medical findings; further evaluate the residual functional capacity; obtain supplemental vocational expert evidence, if warranted; and issue a new decision.
- The Clerk's Office shall **TERM** the hearing and Plaintiff's brief, **ECF** No. 8, enter **JUDGMENT** in favor of Plaintiff, and **CLOSE** the case.

IT IS SO ORDERED. The Clerk's Office is directed to enter this Order and provide copies to all counsel.

DATED this $\underline{1}4^{th}$ day of November 2024.

EDWARD F. SHEA

Senior United States District Judge

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